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## Agency Council on Coordinated Transportation (ACCT)

Friday, October 6, 2006  
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
WSDOT Commission Board Room  
Olympia, WA

### Meeting Summary

Paula J. Hammond, Chair  
WSDOT Chief of Staff

#### *Attendance*

Louise Bray  
Governor's Transportation  
Policy Advisor

Michael Harbour  
Representing the Washington  
State Transit Association

Theresa Hekel  
Washington Association  
of Pupil Attendance

Marilyn Mason-Plunkett  
CTA-NW

Doug Porter  
Medical Services  
Administration of DSHS

Marcia Riggers  
Office of Superintendent of  
Public Instruction

Bernice Robinson  
Consumer Representative

#### *Council Members*

Paula Hammond, WSDOT  
Allan Jones, OSPI  
Marilyn Mason-Plunkett, CTA-NW  
Doug Porter, DSHS  
Page Scott, MPO/RTPO Representative  
Bernice Robinson, Citizen Representative  
Margaret Casey, Citizen Representative

Rep. Mark Miloscia

#### *WSDOT Staff*

Robin Phillips, ACCT Administrator  
Don Chartock  
Rebeca Potasnik  
Cynthia Middleton

#### *Guests*

Chris Rose, WUTC

#### *Welcome and Introductions New Members*

*Paula Hammond*

#### **Legislative Members:**

Senator Pam Roach  
Senator Jim Kastama

Chair Paula Hammond welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Senator Kastama was in China and unable to attend.

Representative Fred Jarrett  
Representative Mark Miloscia  
Representative Alex Wood

#### *Approve Meeting Summary From April Meeting Paula Hammond*

Paula asked that the approval meeting summary be approved. Marilyn Mason Plunkett seconded and the council approved the summary

## *Budget Update*

*Robin Phillips*

ACCT Administrator Robin Phillips walked the council through the budget sheet. She pointed out the Travel Options expenditures and anticipated expenditures for the ACCT evaluation.

## **Identify and Address Barriers**

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### *Reauthorization*

*Paula Hammond*

Cocker Fennessy have completed their stakeholder interviews and are ready to work with the council to incorporate council issues into the report. The preliminary findings support ACCT reauthorization and the following themes were identified:

- ACCT should be continued with a stronger mandate and full commitment from members.
- ACCT and its mission are necessary and well understood.
- ACCT is under-funded and staffed.
- ACCT performance measures need to be more descriptive of the value of the work being done.
- ACCT has a role in streamlining and implementing coordinated standards.

Representative Miloscia raised the issue of the homeless planning statewide as a model for ACCT planning and participation. Each planning area creates their own plan they are aggregated for the state plan. The review is focused on process and inclusion. There might also be a relationship with ACCT to emergency planning and preparedness.

There are several activities necessary to prepare for reauthorization. It is important to get council members contact information to Steve Reinmuth. Paula Hammond wanted to make sure that the legislative liaisons from OSPI and DSHS were involved in any reauthorization discussion and received information about proposed legislation. Page mentioned that the RTPO/MPO Coordination meeting in November would be a good time to talk to the RTPOs and MPOs about the ACCT legislation.

## **Focus on Results**

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### *DRAFT ACCT Report*

*Don Chartock*

ACCT staff member Don Chartock provided the Council with an update on the work he is doing to complete the 2007 ACCT Report. He provided draft text to the council and requested comments by the 9<sup>th</sup> of November. Also if you have pictures that we can use to illustrate the report please send them to Don.

### *Tour through Google*

*Robin Phillips*

Robin Phillips showed the council live screens on Google Transit's beta site of Washington State intercity and local transportation providers. ACCT is supporting collecting and managing travel information to help people use public transportation to travel between and through communities. We are hoping to sign a data

sharing agreement with Google soon. The data we are sharing with Google is data that ACCT needs to populate the Travel Options travel information project. By working with Google we are able to get more value for the information we are gathering.

## **Increase Advocacy**

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### *Legislative Update*

*All*

This item was addressed in the “Reauthorization Discussion” and at this point in the meeting Paula Hammond asked if other agencies had legislative issues that they were concerned about this session.

### *WUTC*

*Chris Rose*

Chris Rose from the WUTC came and spoke about the “auto transportations rule” changes. The WUTC would like to quit regulating intercity bus providers for anything but safety and insurance compliance. The changes that the WUTC is proposing include airport shuttles as well. ACCT supports deregulating the intercity transportation but did not take a position in regard to airport shuttles.

## **Council Members and Audience Comments**

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### *Next Meeting –*

**Where:** Washington State Department of Transportation  
Commission Board Room  
310 Maple Park Ave SE  
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**When:** Friday, December 1, 2006

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.